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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Copies of the references are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

The family of CN 1003899 cited herein includes:

US Patent no. 4,713,518  
US Patent no. 4,874,920  
US Patent no. 4,970,368  
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No inference should be drawn that the attached list sets forth a comprehensive investigation of the prior art, that any or all are pertinent to the invention, or that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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The references disclosed herein were cited in Chinese Patent Office, Office Action dated July 9, 2004, in counterpart Chinese application no. 001125338X. As this is being submitted within three months, Applicant does not believe that a fee is due. However, if any such fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50/1039.

Respectfully submitted,

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